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## BLOOD STAINED BOAT. INDICATES FOUL PLAY.

A mystery doubtless a murder, has been called to the attention of Kentucky authorities, who have begun an investigation, with little hope of solution.

A floating johnboat was caught Saturday by two fishermen near Fillmore, a few miles north of Wickliffe. The boat was empty except for two small scraps of dainty lingerie, many hair pins and a switch of false hair. On the seat were blood stains and on the side of the boat is a perfect print in blood of the hand of a man, with the middle finger missing. In some mud in the bottom of the boat was an impression left by a woman's shoe with a French heel.

It is believed that the boat may have drifted from some point in Missouri or Illinois along the Mississippi or Ohio rivers. The character of the pieces of clothing seems to indicate that she was very well dressed. One scrap of clean, white filmy lace apparently was part of a woman's under garment. Other pieces of fine, white cloth may have been torn from a woman's waist. The hair, which was matted with blood, is dark auburn. — Carlisle Co. News.

Prohibition agitators will attack the tobacco industry if nationwide prohibition is obtained, according to a speech made before the Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association. That might be a good thing, too.

Marriage licenses issued in Obion county last week: Preston McKee Johnson and Clarice Elizabeth Young, H. H. Schroeder and Sadie M. Blanks.

James Earle, of New Orleans, arrived Thursday to spend the summer with his mother, Mrs. Harriet Lewis.

Mrs. Will Waterman returned to St. Louis last week after a visit to Mrs. Fannie Shaw.

## MORE GRAVEL ROADS.

C. G. McMurry, one of Fulton county's very best farmers, told us Saturday that the folks residing along the public road from Poplar Grove church and a mile and a half east, with the exception of a small gap, had subscribed enough money to bear one half the cost of graveling this road—the State to pay the other half from the State road fund, to which this county is entitled. It begins to look as though the public-spirited, generous, progressive farmers of the county are not going to wait for the county to get in the gravel roads game. With the farmers and State bearing the cost of graveling the public roads, why should anybody worry? The farmers along the State Road are going to gravel four miles or more on the same basis and any other section of the county can avail itself of the same proposition.

Let the good work go on. It is the beginning of modern highways in Fulton county.

## "FOR PERSONAL USE."

The Supreme Court of the United States decided in the case appealed from Whitley county, Kentucky, that the Webb-Kenyon law has no application in the interstate shipment of whiskey into "dry" territory for personal use. The constitutionality of the act was not passed upon. The Adams Express Company, the court held, was within its rights in transporting whiskey to a "dry" locality for personal use.

Mrs. Gertrude Henry and children returned to New Madrid Saturday after a visit to E. E. Reeves and family. They were accompanied home by Miss Elizabeth Reeves.

N. R. Holcombe returned home Tuesday after a visit to his brothers, T. A. Holcombe, of Greenville, Miss., and W. E. Holcombe, of Memphis.

## BELIEVES IN GARDNER.

In advocating the election of Judge Bunk Gardner for election to the office of circuit judge we do so because we firmly believe he will make the district a judge of which it will be proud. We believe he is clean, progressive and abundantly able to conduct the office so thoroughly satisfactory that the people will demand his re-election at the next election. A man who is fair to all and possessed of a courage and an ambition that stamps him as unequivocally the man for the place. We are for Judge Gardner for circuit judge because he has been a success in his profession and because he has the generous endorsement of the people of his home town, where he was born and reared, and where for a half score of years or more he has continuously held the same office. — Carlisle Co. News. Adv.

Arrangements are in progress for a big 4th of July celebration at Bardwell this year and as the 4th happens to fall on Sunday, it is the purpose of the promoters of the event to have the celebration on the 3rd. Arlington will also celebrate the same day.

J. C. Ellison spent a part of last week at Dawson Springs, attending a convention of the Ky. Pharmaceutical Ass'n., of which he is a member. The visitors, several hundred in number, had a big time and were royally entertained.

The old-fashioned man who used to make a wry face and say "nasty stuff" when the children were around when he drank his evening toddy now has a son who knows what an awful liar his father was.

A. J. Lane, of Cairo, and Mr. Koontz, of Mound City, were here last Thursday. These gentlemen are newspaper men and were enjoying the excursion from Cairo to Hickman on the Str. Home Smith.

## CORN GROWING IN SOUTH.

Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, discussing the Boys' Corn Club work of 1914 is quoted as saying:

"As in each former year since the inauguration of the Boys' Corn Clubs the championship has gone to the South, having been won by Carl Graves, at Soso, Mississippi, with the production of 202 bushels of corn on a single acre at the remarkably low cost of 14.5 cents per bushel. The highest record made by any boy outside of the South was by a Pennsylvania boy, who made 148 bushels at a cost of 26.7 cents per bushel. This record was exceeded by ten of the first and second prize-winning boys in the South. The average yield per acre made by winners of the first and second prizes in the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee was 159.26 bushels, as compared with an average of 104.22 by the prize winners in the Northern, Central and Western States. Taken into consideration with the records of previous years, these figures show that, with the adoption of proper cultural methods, the South can be made the greatest corn-producing section of the United States." There is no reason to doubt that Mr. Harrison is altogether right in his conclusions. The South is not growing enough corn at the present time to supply the wants of its population. The work of the Corn Clubs shows clearly that the South has all the essentials for growing bigger and better crops of this staple cereal. Its farmers ought to cut out a part of their enormous cotton acreage and put the ground in corn. Every Southern State at least ought to grow a sufficient quantity to meet the demands of its own population.

A girl doesn't mind wearing a V neck and a see-everything skirt. But she wouldn't think of exposing her ears for anything.

## PREACHER HUGGED WOMAN.

Murphysboro, Ill., June 12.—Charges that he pinched the arms and legs of a woman member of his congregation and that he hugged another woman of the church flock, has led Rev. Chas. Day, pastor of the First Lutheran church, of this city, to announce that he will resign.

One of the charges was preferred by Mrs. Peter F. Pelzer, a member of the church several weeks ago, following a hay ride she and Mr. Day attended. She alleged that the minister pinched her arms and legs and made advances to her. No definite action on the part of the church officials resulted from this charge.

When Miss Maggie Betz several days ago told women friends that Mr. Day had "handled" her at her country home when calling, an investigation was immediately started.

Dr. Dunlap, at the head of a committee, called on Miss Betz at her home. She told them Mr. Day had hugged her when they were looking at a portrait.

Day is married and has a son.

Elza Stokes, a well known printer who has lived in Mayfield and Murray most of his life, died at his home of his brother Ed Stokes in Mayfield, Friday, at noon, following an illness of complications.

A county teacher's examination was held in Burkesville a few days ago and there were thirty-two who took the examination. Every one failed to make a grade sufficient for a certificate to teach.

An Owensboro firm has been offered a contract to make 8,000,000 rifles for the Allies. Lord Kitchener must have meant the war will begin in May 1916.

An underslung girl can wear a dress that puts her waist clear up under her arms. But when a man is built that way he has to admit that he is a runt.

## HICKMANITES WIN IN FULTON SHOOT.

Several of the Hickman bunch attended the Fulton White Flyer Gun Club shoot last Thursday afternoon, and "brought home the bacon."

Among the winners from here we noticed F. M. Case, electric iron; S. L. Dodds, ton coal; Ira Green, box cigars; County Atty. J. W. Roney, half ton coal. The coal, being a little unhandy to carry home, was donated to the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist church of Fulton.

## THEY READ THEM.

A Montgomery City merchant advertised free ice cream at his place of business and more than seven hundred persons were served with the frozen delicacy. The merchant disclaimed any philanthropic motive and said the free ice cream was merely a test to learn how many persons were reading his advertisements. — St. Joseph Observer.

A rain and wind storm struck Hickman Saturday afternoon. Besides a heavy down-pour, the wind blew down several shade trees and some electric and telephone wires. The Str. Georgia Lee, on her down trip, was caught in the bend above town and turned completely around. No damage was done to the boat, although her passengers were given a good scare.

Postmaster B. W. Scott and party motored over from Bradford, Tenn., and spent Sunday with relatives and friends in Hickman. B. W. is an old Hickman boy and his friends here will be glad to know that he is doing well in his new home.

Mrs. Fannie Shaw and H. D. Robinson returned last week from a visit with relatives in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Parham left last week for Cairo to visit relatives.



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